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1. Between 21 and 28 January 1952, there was no flying at Brandis airfield. On 25 January, the snow on the runway was removed by a snow plow. The German personnel at the field had been dismissed. (1)
2. About 8:20 a.m. on 18 January, two jet planes were towed from the hangar to the dispersal area. Flying was continually practiced up to about 2 p.m. The take off time of the planes was at least 16 seconds and at the most 34 seconds. [redacted] only twice that two aircraft took off at the same time.
3. [redacted] front of a hangar which was partially open. (2) A radio installation with four masts and a radio truck were located about 1,100 meters from the east end of the runway. (3) A high tension line extended from the radio installation to the village. Three tank trucks, an open truck and two large open jeeps were parked at the aircraft dispersal area at the east end of the runway. A large closed trailer, a radio truck with an antenna 5 meters high and another radio truck with a slightly shorter outside antenna were also observed. In the western section of the field there was an open truck and three jeeps which, after the landing of jet fighters, moved up to the planes and towed them northward across the field and along the northern edge to the dispersal area in front of the hangars. Small red flags mounted on pegs about 15 cm high and 8 to 10 meters apart were observed along the southern edge of the runway. A Russian with a red signal flag was at the take-off point during the entire flying period.
4. About 200 men were observed drilling and doing calisthenics in the billeting area. [redacted] were used for driving lessons, 3 trucks, 3 sedans and a jeep. [redacted] the standard gauge spur track at the field had been used recently. (4)

Comments.

- (1) Brandis airfield is occupied by a fighter regiment which is being activated. According to previous information, this regiment is only equipped with about 8 MiG-15s. The information that no flying was practiced at the field between 21 and 28 January 1952 agrees with other reported information.
- (2) [redacted]
- (3) The radio installation is an Adcock DF station.

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